

Attorney Docket No.: 0694-134

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Hashibe, et al.
U.S. Application No. : 09/677,502
Filing Date : October 2, 2000
Title : Fire Protection Glass Panel with a Heat
Shielding Characteristic
Examiner : R. Sergent
Group Art Unit : 1711

January 29, 2003
New York, New York

Box Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

On January 3, 2003, Applicant filed a Request for Continued Prosecution Application (RCE) for the above-identified application (return postcard date-stamped January 8, 2003 by USPTO). Applicant requests entry and consideration of the present Preliminary Amendment before examination of the above-identified application pursuant to the RCE.

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